GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER



June 21, 2018

Mr. Alexcy Romero Superintendent George Washington Memorial Parkway National Park Service McLean, VA 22101

RE: Initiation of Section 106 Consultation for the New Comfort Station at Arlington Ridge Park, VA

Dear Mr. Romero:

Thank you for initiating consultation with the District of Columbia State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO) regarding the above-referenced undertaking. We have reviewed the project submittal and are writing to provide our initial comments in accordance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act and its implementing regulations, 36 CFR Part 800.

We understand that the NPS proposes to construct a new comfort station near the US Marine Corps War Memorial in Arlington Ridge Park, VA. Given the small size of the proposed facility, we do not anticipate that it will be visible from any point within the District of Columbia. We also note that no portion of DC is included within the Area of Potential Effect (APE).

For these reasons, we suspect that no historic properties within DC will be affected by this undertaking but we will defer making a final determination of effect until we have an opportunity to review proposed plans and elevations.

We look forward to consulting further with the NPS and other consulting parties regarding this undertaking. In the meantime, please contact me at andrew.lewis@dc.gov or 202-442-8841 if you should have any questions or comments regarding this matter. Thank you for providing this opportunity to review and comment.

Sincerely.

C. Andrew Lewis
Senior Historic Preservation Officer

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